



St Thomas à Becket Catholic Church

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME & FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

15 FEBRUARY 2026

"It was said to those of old; but I say to you"

Mass Times

- Sat 14** **Saints Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop, Patrons of Europe**
10:00 NO MASS
17:30 Vigil Mass of Sunday
People of the Parish
- Sun 15** **Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
10:00 Ian Jackson-Winch RIP
- Mon 16** **Feria**
10:00 NO MASS
- Tues 17** **Feria**
10:00 NO MASS
- Weds 18** **Ash Wednesday**
10:00 NO MASS
18:00 Grupo De Oración En Español (Spanish Rosary & Devotions)
19:00 Peter Northeast, Wellbeing
- Thurs 19** **Feria**
10:00 NO MASS
- Fri 20** **Feria**
10:00 NO MASS

Sunday Readings: Year A
Weekday Readings: Year 2

Please note: Weekday Masses will be celebrated at 10.00am to accommodate Fr Jim's travel arrangements.

SECOND COLLECTION

14 JAN- 15 FEB - CLERGY SUPPORT FUND



The clergy in our Archdiocese have given us so much. They have been there for us in our happiest moments and comforted us when we have lost loved ones. Supporting priests in their retirement is one way to show your appreciation for all they have one for parishes. You make supporting our clergy in retirement possible. There will be a second collection, or you can scan QR code. Clergy Support Fund envelopes are available at the back of Church. Please continue to keep our Priests in your prayers.

22 FEBRUARY 2026

"Jesus fasts for forty days and is tempted"

Mass Times

- Sat 21** **Feria**
10:00 NO MASS
17:30 Vigil Mass of Sunday
People of the Parish
- Sun 22** **First Sunday of Lent**
10:00 Antonio Princepe Goncalves RIP
- Mon 23** **Feria**
10:00 NO MASS
- Tues 24** **Feria**
10:00 NO MASS
- Weds 25** **Saint Ethelbert, King**
10:00 NO MASS
18:00 Grupo De Oración En Español (Spanish Rosary & Devotions)
- Thurs 26** **Feria**
10:00 NO MASS
- Fri 27** **Feria**
CAFOD Fast Day
10:00 NO MASS
- Sat 28** **Feria**
10:00 NO MASS
12:30 Baptism Luis Cammardella
17:30 Vigil Mass of Sunday
People of the Parish
- Sun 01** **Second Sunday of Lent**
10:00 Lucinda Martins Pereira RIP

Confessions:

By appointment when Fr Jim is available. Mornings only. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange.

Baptisms & Marriages:

Please contact the Parish Office

SECOND COLLECTION

21 - 22 FEBRUARY - ORGAN FUND

For the previous restoration and maintenance of our Willis Pipe Organ.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

28 FEB – 01 MARCH – CAFOD LENT FAST DAY

CAFOD Lent Fast Day falls on Friday 27 February. On 28 Feb & 1 March we welcome our parishioner Michael Gormley who will speak to us about this year's CAFOD appeal. Fellow parishioner Steve Palmer will be at the back of the church after mass distributing envelopes and available for any questions you might have. Please give generously.

GENERAL UPDATE

During Mgr Matthew's absence, Fr Jim Teeling will be the regular priest providing cover for the Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses, and we are very grateful to him. Fr Jim is due to have some holiday from 2 March, so his last Sunday with us will be 1 March. He will return to St Thomas's to celebrate the Easter Ceremonies starting with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday, 2 April. He will then continue his regular cover until Mgr Matthew is well enough to return. While Fr Jim is away, the Archdiocese will provide a priest to cover him. Meanwhile we continue to keep Mgr Matthew in our thoughts and prayers.



CONFIRMATION 2025-2026

Next Session: No sessions in Half Term. Meeting Next on Sunday 1 March.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS 2025 -2026

No meeting 18 Feb but there will be an evening Mass for Ash Wednesday. Sat 21 Feb Rite of Election at St George's Cathedral. **Next meeting:** Wed 25 Feb, 7pm, priest's house.

Please pray for our adult candidates of our parish who will receive the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil and will become full members of the Catholic Church.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026

Next Class: No classes during Half Term, classes will recommence Saturday 28 Feb
Next Parents Meeting: Fri 27 Feb at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

Key Dates: Sun 21 June 12pm FHC Mass.

LITTLE PILGRIMS PLAY & PRAY



Parents & toddlers (0-4 years) **Meets every Monday during school term time** (except bank holidays) 10:00-11:30 in the parish hall. NEXT MEETING: 23 February

St Valentine's Day
Cake Sale
Today,
After Mass
All proceeds to the church



NEW PARISH WELCOME PACK & UPDATED REGISTRATION FORMS

Thank you to all who have completed our new parish registration form. Both the registration form and welcome pack are available in paper and electronic formats.

You can find them at the back of the church or access them online on our website or by using the QR code.

FILM CLUB

JOIN US FOR
"LA LA LAND"



FEBRUARY 27, 2026
11:30AM
PARISH HALL



Are you a church keyholder? For insurance purposes, we have been asked to account for all church keys. Please get in touch with the Parish Office if you hold any keys to St Thomas a Becket Church. Thank you.

ASH WEDNESDAY

18th February

Mass with the imposition of ashes will be celebrated at 19:00.

Keeping Lent

The season of Lent is a blessed time for us to return to Christ, to confess our sins and to renew our life of faith.

Every Sunday afternoon in Lent we will pray the Stations of the Cross at 16:30. Mgr Matthew's 'Steps of Pain, Steps of Hope', his meditations on the Stations of the Cross, is available for purchase at £5 per copy, all money goes to parish funds. The book is beautifully illustrated with pictures of the Stations in St Thomas' church.

Please note: the Parish Office will be closed over Half Term.

LAST WEEKS COLLECTIONS

Parish Collection	£401	Organ Fund Coll.	£139
Parish Dona	£277	Organ Fund Dona	£9
Standing Orders	£601	THANK YOU	

14 - 15 February

Welcome and Coffee: E. Falcone, A. Oliva

Readers: SAT: M. Slade, L. Slade

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SUN: L. Brown, C. Khabthong

Flowers: A. Oliva

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21 - 22 February

Welcome & Coffee: L. Northeast, M. Ascensao

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Readers: SAT: S. Doney, S. Palmer

SUN: A. Burnett, T. Greetham

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28 Feb - 01 March

Welcome & Coffee: F. Azevedo, M. Figueiredo

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Readers: SAT: E. Mends, C. Fiallos

SUN: L. Brown, L. Northeast

MAINTENANCE TEAM: Meet 11am-1pm, 2nd Saturday of the Month. **Next meet: 14 MAR**

DIARY DATES AT-A-GLANCE:

14 & 15 Feb St Valentine's Cake Sale

14 Feb 11am, Maintenance Team

18 Feb Ash Wednesday

21 Feb RCIA Rite of Election at St George's Cathedral

27 Feb 10.30am, Film Club, Parish Hall

28 Feb & 1 Mar CAFOD Lent Fast Day guest speaker